

NO KILLED AND SCORES INJURED IN LARGE STORM

Transportation Almost Paralyzed in New York as Result of Ice Gale.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Thousands of volunteer snow handlers were called to the shovels to help dig New York City out of its first big storm of the season—a blizzard of snow and sleet which, starting under moderate temperatures, became over night an icy rule which threatened to paralyze all transportation.

The storm took its toll of hundreds of injured. From early last evening until daylight, hospital ambulances were bringing in pedestrians with broken arms, fractured legs or cracked skulls, who had fallen victims to the treacherous ice-covered streets. Most hospitals were crowded to capacity, and the problem of caring for new arrivals became increasingly grave as the list of injured mounted.

At least two persons are reported to have been killed by falls in the city's thoroughfares.

The wind reached high velocities. Combined with the unaccustomed burden of snow it worked havoc with above ground power and telephones, street car transmission cables, roofs of buildings and large trees.

Lives of pedestrians in some sections were endangered by falling signs, tumbling chimneys and smoke stacks. Thousands of dollars of damage were believed to have been sustained on Long and Staten islands, where numerous small craft were washed ashore. Along the water front the toll of damage done buildings was reported heavy.

City officials were out bright and early today in a personal canvass of Bowery "soup kitchens," "flap houses" and "bread lines," recruiting snow shovelers with which to augment the force of 24,000 advertised for last night.

Street and elevator car lines were partially incapacitated, despite the brave efforts of night crews to keep the tracks clear.

The sleet encrusted the tracks so thickly that part of an elevated train left the rails. The slow speed at which it was crawling through the blinding storm is believed to have saved its several hundred passengers from a serious accident.

Railroads were asked to concentrate on maintaining unimpeded freight service in order that the city, with barely forty eight hours reserve supply of coal on hand at harbor terminals, might not be confronted by an actual fuel famine.

Fuel stocks, anthracite and bituminous, in addition to those in bins of dealers or consumers, were estimated by fuel administration officials at less than 60,000 tons. A priority list for hospitals, schools and municipal institutions was prepared in case fuel rationing became imperative.

WOMAN'S STANDPOINT

By ANN ADVENTURE.

Just a few days before Christmas I told of the plan of Mrs. Clyde F. Crane's Sunday school class of the First M. E. Church to play Santa Claus to several of the girls in the Industrial Home at Salem, and you will recall that a letter from one of the girls was included in my story.

Today a letter of thanks was received from Dorothy, which is self explanatory and quite interesting, as it not only expresses gratitude, but gives an insight into some of the customs of the institution that are a revelation to those who know nothing about the home, so I give it in its entirety.

"I wonder if I can ever get through thanking you for the things I received for Christmas. I love my dress, I have dark hair and eyes, so you see the color just suited. I received three nice presents from the girls here.

"Miss Sutton had all the girls meet her at the chapel at 6:30 Christmas morning for a short service. When we returned to the cottage the officers had breakfast ready. That is the only day in the year they get breakfast for us. There are always certain girls who do the cooking. The dining room was decorated in red and green crepe paper. In the center was a small Christmas tree beautifully decorated. At each place was a small bottle of perfume and a Xmas card from Miss Fittro who always sends us something. There was also a box of candy from the state.

"We had a good chicken dinner, day evening each school gave a play. The name of the seventh and eighth was 'Father Time's Christmas.' The scene was a court with witnesses, jurors and a seated around with the and sheriff walking uneasily. The judge on a special chair.

"Do you teach Sunday school? It is so what is the class name. Our class is the 'Buds of Promise.' I hope you all had a merry Christmas. All the girls received presents. All together we had a good Christmas."

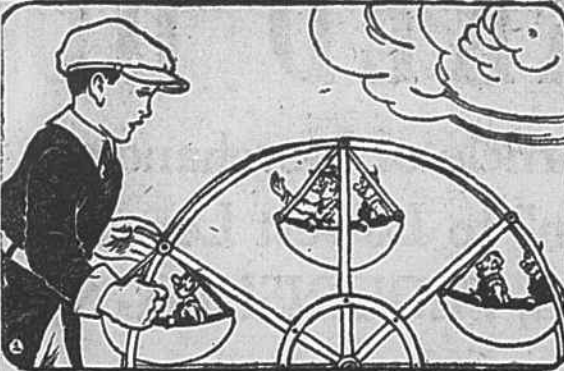
"I think sometimes we know too little about our state institutions, and when we hear of a girl being committed to the Industrial Home we do not concern ourselves greatly with her life and interests after

JACK DAW IN MIDGETVILLE

Drawings by Leslie Eiten

Story by Hal Cochran.

Chapter 10



"And now we will visit the Ferris wheel," shouted a midget. Jack helped the little men on board and gave the wheel a start. "Don't use up your electricity," he said, "I'll turn the wheel for you." Round and round it went, and as the cars reached the top the midgets waved to Jack.



"Have you had enough of this?" asked Jack, after a short time. "Sure!" shouted the midgets. "N chutes." And Jack led the way to the edge of the little tank and watched the boats glide in. Water splashed up on his stockings.



As the last boat made a tiny spray of water, Jack looked down a small street and saw long rows of houses. "What are those homes?" he asked. "Why, that's Midgetville," replied one of the men. "You see we have our play park right close to our town. We'll go to town now." (Continued.)

she becomes an inmate of the home.

But I know a little woman whose duty it is to accompany delinquent girls to this house of correction, at all too frequent intervals, it would seem, who cannot speak of the necessity for doing so without tears in her eyes, and tremulous lips, and she says she will never become hardened to it, with the tenderest thoughts and wishes there might be some other way to make of them the girls God intended them to be.

In Mrs. Joseph Grimley, the one to whom I refer, all girls who need help find a friend indeed, for she has a real heart interest in their problems, and through her kind and tactful manner, rather than by force, she is enabled to do effectively the work that falls to her lot as probation officer.

There are many ways in which she gives assistance to girls, such as obtaining employment for them, placing them in homes; seeing that they get justice when the need arises; and in a number of instances she has given temporary refuge to homeless girls and friendless young mothers in her own home, until other arrangements could be made. She could truly be called the official mother of the community.

When she takes a girl to the Industrial Home, it is only as a last resort, and once there, there are certain fixed rules by which the parents or friends must abide as long as she is in charge of them. A list of these rules was given to me, and as I think they would be of general interest to my readers they are listed below:

"Parents and friends may write as frequently as they desire, but the following rules must be observed: Place postoffice address and date of writing at the head of every letter and sign with full name. Write only on matters of family interest or business, plainly and in English. Any remarks disparaging any person or calculated to disturb the minds of the girls and distract from their studies and duties will cause the letters containing such remarks to be withheld from the girls. No reference must be made to the girl's going home before becoming of age, nor must the question of age be discussed, as that matter is settled by papers of commitment. All inquiries and statements on the subject should be addressed to the superintendent."

"No visitors admitted on non-days, Sunday, or the day preceding Christmas."

"Parents may send small presents to their daughters if they desire, such as fruits, candy, handkerchiefs, ribbons, 'middy' blouses, sweaters, caps, crocheted thread, tooth paste, needles and things of the like."

"Parents may visit once in two months on Tuesdays or Thursdays."

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S. H. DIEMER BUYS DARBY PROPERTY

Coal Land in Taylor and Harrison Counties Purchased by Fairmont Man.

A coal deal was consummated in this city recently, whereby S. H. Diemer became the owner of the property of the Darby Coal Co. situated on Simpson Creek, Flemington District.

The deal was made through Samuel D. Brady, local coal operator, and the purchase price is said to have been around \$75,000. The property is located in Taylor and Harrison counties and adjoins property owned and operated by Clarence D. Robinson.

The property is a valuable one, owing to the fact that it has two seams of coal, Pittsburgh and Redstone.

Mr. Diemer will take possession of the property January 1 and will devote his entire time to the management and operation of the property. His local office will be Room 409 in the Devany Building on Main street.

THE BAT SETS NEW RECORDS FOR SHOWS

"The Bat," the biggest dramatic success in years whose extraordinary success, both in New York and Chicago has resulted in new records, not only for the length of the run but for the gross receipts at the box offices, will be the attraction at the Blue Ridge theatre next Thursday.

This is good news for local theatregoers. Certainly no play in the past twenty years has aroused the interest or scored the astounding success, that has been the portion of "The Bat."

This thrilling mystery story, dramatic in the extreme and filled with quite as many laughs as it is thrills, was written by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood, both noted for their success as playwrights. It is presented under the management of Wasco, Hals and Kemper, producers with reputations long established for success. The carefully selected company includes:

Mabel Wright, Jean Haven, Clara Coleman, Geo. A. Lessey, Joseph Rawley, Wyrley Birch, Richard Mansfield, Roy La Rue, Sam Kuster and Edward Martyn.

FARMINGTON

Mrs. W. E. Mapel is the guest of relatives in Wheeling over the holiday season.

Harry Ross is recovering from injuries received when he was struck by a street car several weeks ago.

Miss Elsie Miller is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Reid of Cameron, over the Christmas holidays.

Miss Beatrice Martin continues very ill at her home here. She is suffering from an attack of typhoid pneumonia. Miss E. Brand is the nurse in charge of the case.

C. W. Morgan of Monongah is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Jane Martin. Mrs. Martin has resided with her son, L. D. Martin, since the death of her husband several months ago.

Larrie Martin is confined to his bed with inflammatory rheumatism. The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church will meet Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Howard Coleman. Mrs. H. J. Hatzel will assist in entertaining.

The Misses Leola and Beulah Kerns visited relatives in Fairmont Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Elery Parrish attended the funeral of William Reese at Downes Wednesday.

Mrs. L. R. Hall and daughter Mildred spent Christmas with the former's daughter, Mrs. Charles Dunham of East Run.

T. J. Bartlett of Fairmont visited L. J. Martin Tuesday.

Mrs. French Morgan and daughter of Clarksburg spent Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. John Duncan.

Miss Mildred Talkington is the guest of her parents on Plum Run over the holidays.

The local high school orchestra will play for the motion picture performance tonight. Additional features of entertainment will also be given.

The girls' basketball team of the local high school is practicing for the first game of the season to be played with Lumborg next Saturday night on the home floor.

Miss Helen Adams is spending the holiday season at her home near Mannington.

Mrs. Rupert Maple and Miss Madeline Whitlatch were shopping in Wheeling Wednesday.

Edward Talkington is ill at his home here.

Booked by B. F. Keith Vaudeville Exchange

BLUE RIDGE

TONIGHT & SATURDAY

THE NEWMANS CYCLING NOVELTY

HERMAN BERRENS "SONG OFFERING"

KEEN & WILLIAMS "THE BARNYARD ROMEO"

THE CHALFONTE SISTERS "BIRDS OF PARADISE"

SEE THE GREAT MYSTERY DRAMA

"The BROADWAY MADONNA"

Directed by Harry Revier

COMING

Mr. Lew Dockstader the Premier of Minstrels in

"Talking Through His Hat"

By AARON HOFFMAN

Lost Articles

No matter how careful one may be things do get lost occasionally.

During a car ride to business or shopping, while in the store, on the street or in an automobile or bus—things do get lost.

Don't worry about it, because the first thing that an honest person does when an article of value is found is to look under the Lost and Found Classification in the Wants.

The Wants, return the great majority of lost articles; they bring loser and finder together.

An article is never lost until the Wants have failed in the opportunity to return it—which is mighty seldom.

BIG HUMAN APPEAL IN VIRGINIA FILM

There is a big human appeal in Marshall Neilan's new picture "Minnie" now being shown at the Virginia Theater. Neilan has given to the screen a story of every day life with its humor, its selfishness and unselfishness and its little tragedies.

Leatrice Joy, Matt Moore and Raymond Griffith are making their biggest screen hits in this picture. The old part of it is that both Miss Joy and Matt Moore are playing roles they have never before attempted. Miss Joy, always seen on the screen as a beautiful woman, is, in "Minnie," a poor, homely drudge, the daughter of a hotel keeper who pays little attention to the hotel but spends his time working on a new radio invention and when he has a few minutes to spare, going through a marriage ceremony—he has eight wives in all—seven stepmothers for Minnie.

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VIRGINIA TODAY and TOMORROW

HAVE YOU SEEN MINNIE?

—the girl who wrote herself love letters

—who gave a funeral for a man she had never seen

—who turns jeers to cheers—and smiles to tears

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SHOWS AT 1-3-5-7 and 9 p. m.

COMING NEXT MONDAY FOR THREE DAYS

Richard Barthelmess

in The Bondboy

There are now 15 republics in Europe, occupying two-thirds of the territory of the continent and having nearly 284,000,000 population.

This Date in History

December 29

1674—The Battle of Mulhausen, the French under Turenne gained a great victory of the Germans.

1689—Thomas Sydenham died; an excellent English physician and medical writer.

1761—Elizabeth, Queen of Russia, died. She was the daughter of Peter the Great, and ascended the throne.

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Philadelphia Battery service Station

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Furnished Rooms

FURNISHED BED ROOM all conveniences. 610 Walnut Avenue. Phone 1871-R.

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ONE NICELY FURNISHED sleeping room for rent. South Side. Phone 1187-J.

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W. H. SMITH MOVING AND HAULING OF ALL KINDS. Phone 637-W.

W. S. THOMAS Phone 340

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FOR SALE

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FOR SALE

Board of Education of Winfield District will offer for sale, by auction, the old school building and lot at Houli. Sale will be held at present location Wednesday, January 10, 1923, at 2 p. m.

Said Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Bids can either be made separately or collectively.

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